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June 15, 1960

Contract: 046-12519-4

Dear Sir:

hereby requests that the total authorised costs of the referenced contract be increased by \$22,434, which represents a portion of the costs incurred over a period from October 20, 1959, to February 29, 1960. (See details below and on the attached sheet.)

The following chronology of efforts, submitted to substantiate this requirement for additional funds, begins with the wask of October 20, 1959, inasmuch as it was during this week that personnel went to discuss construction of the units with the developer after it had become apparent that the drawings we were using were by no means final and that the units which we were constructing contained inherent mechanical design deficiencies.

- 1. On our visit to the developer's plant we discovered that was not in possession of the final production prints. In fact, there were some 30 drawings on which changes had been made, approximately 19 of which were major changes.
- 2. After our personnel returned from all parts were brought up to date in accordance with the new print changes. However, units constructed to these new prints still did not yield a workable product.
- 3. Considerable effort was then spent checking the complete set of prints for tolerances, finishes, fit, etc. Changes were made at this time in approximately 40 prints. Where necessary, the components were remade or reworked.

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The first unit constructed in accordance with the channed prints was found to be workable and was incorporated in a field unit which was submitted to the customer for testing in February 1960. Changes were still made after this period, notably in the trigger and stop disk assembly. The final units were constructed and delivered in March and April of 1960. takes the position that, inasmuch as the developer indicated that we had final prints on October 20, 1959, a good portion of the time spent between that date and February 29, 1960 (correcting the so-called "final prints") should be reimbursed by the Coversment. Column "A" of the attached sheet gives a cost breakdown, by labor estegery, of the total direct labor charges incurred between October 20, 1959, and February 29, 1960. Column "B" of the same report gives that portion of the total charges which we feel justified in recevering. You will note that we are requesting only \$300 for material, even though the total material cost for the period under discussion was appreximately \$5,000. In eddition, we are requesting neither prefit ner reimbursement for the travel time of the instrument Maker from our whe spent a considerable amount of time in the working on the contract. We walcome the exportunity to discuss this proposal with your representatives. Very truly yours,

Contract Administrator

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